

Champions boasts a full house for the boxing battle

Every table at Champions Sports Bar in the Marriott Ocean Club was filled with boxing fans to see the boxing battle between Floyd Mayweather, Jr and Oscar de la Hoya this past Saturday night. The bar attracted many islanders and visitors with their dozens of TV screens tuned to the action, aside from the giant screens behind the bar. A platter full of their great nachos that came free with every bucket of Coors was also an incentive for boxing fans to spend the evening at the popular sports bar.

Tables were in such demand that new friendships were forged for JC and Caroline of Texas, who had no place to sit, and were generously welcomed to join the table of Antonio and Awilda of Long Island, New York. They will leave Aruba with new friends, thanks to the match!

Though he lost by a split decision, most attending the broadcast of the fight at Champion's expressed they were rooting for Oscar; for the women, because he is "so cute." Brothers Steve and Chris Dambola from Central New Jersey and in Aruba for the first time said they couldn't miss the fight, and hoped De La Hoya would win because they were always "for the underdog."

Oscar did his best to deliver an exciting match, fighting aggressively and landing 122 of 587 punches to express surprise afterwards at not being declared the winner. Surprisingly, this was echoed by his former trainer, Floyd Mayweather Senior, father of his opponent! Unfortunately, the judges saw it differently as Mayweather landed 207 of 481 punches, and what were considered more "power punches," "outlanding De La Hoya by a 138-82 margin."

Whomever they were rooting for,, those at Champions deemed it a winning evening of great food, fun, friends and sports action!